

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph on page 5, line 10 with the following amended paragraph:

A machine-readable medium is understood to include any mechanism for storing ~~or transmitting~~ information in a form readable by a machine (e.g., a computer)[[.]] ~~For example, a machine-readable medium includes~~ such as read only memory (ROM); random access memory (RAM); magnetic disk storage media; optical storage media; flash memory devices; electrical, optical, acoustical ~~or other~~ ; as well as for transmitting information in a form of propagated signals such as ~~(e.g.,~~ carrier waves, infrared signals, digital signals, ~~etc.)~~; etc.